

REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephone interview granted December 26. During the interview, the Ooishi reference was discussed and how it does not show transmission in a same file of the font conversion information together and in direct association with the document data stream at any point in time at which the document data stream should be output by the second computer.

The Examiner rejected claims 13-14, 17, 21, 27-28, 31, and 35 under 35 U.S.C. §102 as anticipated by Ooishi. The Examiner also rejected claims 15-16, 18-19, 29-30, 32-33 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as unpatentable over Ooishi. The Examiner rejected claims 20, 22-23, 34, 36-37 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as unpatentable over Ooishi further in view of Hirtenreiter.

The Examiner rejected claims 24-26 and 38-40 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as unpatentable over Ooishi further in view of Manning.

Claim 41 distinguishes over Ooishi first by reciting that the font conversion information is transferred *in a same file* with the document data stream and thus together with and in direct association with the document data stream to the second computer so that at any point in time at which the document data stream should be output by said second computer the font conversion information associated with the document data stream is available. Although Ooishi does disclose transfer of a conversion code with a character stream nowhere does Ooishi disclose that the conversion code is transferred in a same file with and in direct association with the document data stream so that the conversion can be made at any time the data stream is output by the second computer. In this regard, see Applicants' specification at page 7, first full paragraph stating that the character conversion table is stored in the file transferred with the document data stream and thus is transferred

between computers in direct association with and together with the associated document data stream so that at any point in time at which the document data stream should be output, the exact character-conversion table associated with the document data stream is available. There is no disclosure in Ooishi of this. Although the Examiner referred to Figure 3 and the code conversion table 11A and the delivery data 12A sent on line 3, even though the line 3 is a common line for the code conversion table information, there is no indication in the specification that the code conversion table is sent *in a same file*, and thus *together with*, and *in direct association with* the document data stream so that the second computer can convert *at any time* the document data stream is output to the target font provided by the code conversion information. The portion of the specification relied upon by the Examiner, namely column 2, lines 40-55 nowhere indicates that the conversion information is sent *in a same file with* the document data stream and *in direct association with* the data stream so that the conversion at the second computer can be made *at any time* the data stream is to be output.

Claim 41 further distinguishes by reciting that the document data stream comprises Advanced Function Presentation data stream, that the font conversion information comprises a font conversion table stored in a resource file, and that the resource file comprises an object container. The present method is particularly useful in this environment and the prior art does not show such a document data stream as an Advanced Function Presentation data stream with a font conversion table where the resource file comprises an object container in combination with the concept of sending the font conversion information *in a same file* together with and in association with the document data stream so that the conversion can be made *at any time*. Ooishi does not show this.

The secondary references Manning or Hirtenreiter were cited for other features and also in combination with Ooishi do not suggest what Ooishi does not show.

The dependent claims 41-48 distinguish at least for the reasons noted with respect to claim 41.

New independent system claim 49 is similar to claim 41 and distinguishes in a similar fashion. Similarly dependent claims 42-56 when combined with claim 49 also distinguish at least for the additional features recited therein.

Allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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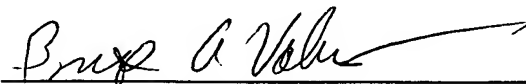
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